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FOODSTUFFS BEYOND REACH OF POOR Meat is Unobtainable and the Prices of Other Necessities Are So Prohibitive the Poor Are Starving.

Heisingers, Nov. 2.—Petrograd has been without bread for the last two weeks, thousands of persons dying daily, according to information brought to Heisingers yesterday by a Finu, who escaped from a prison camp at Moscow on October 12. The population of Petrograd has fallen below 400,000, he said. The schools were closed owing to lack of fuel, he also reported, while the prices of foodstuffs now available were so dear as to be entirely out of reach of the poor. Herring were bringing 200 rubles each and potatoes 110 rubles the pound. Milk was 80 rubles the pint and meat was unobtainable.

Conditions in Moscow, the returning Finn reported, were not much better. A despatch to the Tidning 11 in Heisingers says the famine in Petrograd is assuming terrible proportions. Forty thousand persons have died from starvation within a month, it is declared.

Yudenitch Advancing Heisingers, Saturday, Nov. 1.—(Russian)—The latest reports from the army of General Yudenitch declare that he is steadily advancing on the entire front before Petrograd and that his right flank being fully protected as a result of the progress made by the Estonians. Today the British fleet continued its operations in the Baltic between the Estonian coast and Krasnaya Gorka, encouraged by General Yudenitch's improved position.

Finns Indifferent The Swedish language newspapers here, representing the party advocating Finnish intervention in the campaign of the white forces against the Bolsheviks, are urging the Finnish government to modify the conditions upon which it has indicated it would consider intervening. They suggest that Finland drop her territorial claims and demand only that the allies stand the cost of the military operations (Finland's territorial desires have been set forth as the annexation of Petschenga district, near the base of the Kola Peninsula, and the guaranteeing of self-determination to the Finn tribes in Karelia).

Denikin Retreating Copenhagen, Saturday, Nov. 1.—(Russian)—A telegram from Kamenev-Podolski to the Ukrainian press bureau, under Friday's date, claims that General Denikin's army is retreating along the whole Ukrainian front under the pressure of the Ukrainians. Petliura's offensive, the telegram says, has captured the railway junction of Kodyma.

3,000 CANADIAN SOLDIERS STILL IN ENGLAND

Authorities Expect to Get Two Thirds of Them Home This Month.

London, Nov. 1.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Canadian soldiers remaining in England number three thousand. It is hoped to get two thirds of them away this month. Most of these are employed in salvage operations which include the sale of public auction of military stores and a large number of automobiles.

Two hundred typewriters used by Canadian officers were sold this week and averaged five pounds for each machine than was the original price.

BRAZILIAN CONGRESS GETS TREATY WITHOUT CHANGES Rio Janeiro, Oct. 29.—The general report covering all phases of the peace treaty was read and approved by the full Committee of Diplomacy and Constitution of the Brazilian Congress today. No mention is made of reservations in that report, which will now be sent to Congress with a recommendation that the treaty be approved.

Germany Will Be Required To Make Good Violations Of The Armistice.

Paris, Nov. 1.—(By The Associated Press).—Demand will be made of Germany that all violations of the armistice shall be made good. This has been decided upon by the Supreme Council which has completed the protocol to the German Treaty. The protocol provides that Germany shall surrender cruisers and destroyers to replace those sunk at Scapa Flow, and also surrender floating drydocks, lighters, trains, tugs and other naval equipments in value to that of the first class battleships destroyed, which Germany cannot replace.

CARDINAL MERCIER EXPRESSES GRATITUDE FOR THE AID CANADA GAVE TO BELGIUM IN THE WAR

The Distinguished Prelate, One of the Most Heroic Figures of the War, the Guest of the Province of Quebec—Quebec City Gaily Decorated in His Honor, Where He Was Cheered by Throngs Who Gathered to Do Him Homage.

Quebec, Que., Nov. 2.—His Eminence Cardinal Mercier, primate of Belgium, and one of the most heroic figures of the war, was the guest of the city of Quebec from early Saturday morning until he left this evening on board the steamer Megantic to return to Belgium. The entire city was gaily bedecked with flags. The people were in a state of jubilation, in honor of the distinguished visitor, and as he arrived at the Union station at 6:30 Saturday morning he was met by Mgr. Roy, auxiliary bishop of Quebec, Mayor Lavigne and other officials by whom he was escorted to the cardinal's palace.

Elections Today - In Newfoundland

A Vigorous Campaign Has Been Waged and a Very Close Vote is Looked for.

St. Johns, N.F., Nov. 2.—Newfoundland will hold its first general election in six years tomorrow. The ordinary four years term of the legislature had been extended from 1913 and increased in the result is greater because of political changes since 1913 that have provided new party lines with the fishermen's protective union, comprising the labor element, in the character of the opposition appearing as a distinct political unit for the first time. A vigorous campaign has been waged and a close vote is expected, but as delays are considered inevitable in receiving returns from distant coastal districts, some days will probably elapse before the result will be definitely known.

THE LONGSHOREMEN STRIKE ENTERS ITS SECOND MONTH

New York, Nov. 2.—The unauthorized strike of longshoremen at this port today entered on its second month with the exact number of men still obscured by conflicting reports. The faction supporting T. V. O'Connor, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, who has opposed the strike, claimed that 500 men this morning had returned to work on the Casard piers, and 100 on the White Star. O'Connor expressed confidence that "a majority of the workers" would report tomorrow. His faction also claimed to have won back Thomas Barry, head man agent for the Cargo Repairmen's local, who has been supporting the "left wing" headed by Richard J. Butler. Butler, on the other hand, denied reports that 10,000 to 12,000 strikers had returned. "Not more than 2,000 men are at work and they are strike-breakers from the south," he said.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER OPENS ON LABOR PARTY

Tells His Auditors That the Labor Party Has Been Hampered Every Effort Put Forth to Achieve Victory.

PARTY OPPOSED CONSCRIPTION

He Calls Upon the Voters to Choose Now Between Those Who Upheld Gov't and Those Who Opposed it

Melbourne, Australia, Nov. 1.—(Reuters)—Premier Hughes opened the general election campaign with a speech at Bendigo. He reminded his hearers that he was expelled from the Labor Party because, in response to the imperial government's appeal in 1916 for more recruits, he had submitted the question of compulsory service to the people. He said the people would now choose whether they wanted to be governed by men who denounced and vilified him and those in 1916, because they refused to be their tools, and also had throughout the darkest days of the war hampered every effort to achieve victory, or by those who had kept their pledges and placed the honor of the country high above all party considerations.

High Prices Discussed

Referring to high prices, he said the only remedy was to increase production and reduce their paper currency. Work and work alone and safe finance could save them. A Royal Commission was being appointed to report on profiteering and the monopolies to be dealt with by the government. These powers, if granted, would not be used to scrap state industrial legislation or the gas, but only to compel them to take better methods for the production of soft coal throughout the nation.

UNITED STATES HAS NO PLACE IN THE LABOR CONGRESS

The International Labor Conference Without American Delegates—What is Gompers' Standing.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 1.—(By The Associated Press).—The appointment of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, to represent American workers at the International Labor Conference, gives rise to an interesting question. Since the opening of the conference seats, marked by tiny American flags, have been reserved for delegates from the United States, but the seats have been vacant. The League of Nations, of which the conference is really a branch, was fashioned by President Wilson. The labor sections of the Peace Treaty were drafted by an international committee of which Mr. Gompers was chairman. Yet, the United States government remains unrepresented at the conference.

STUDENTS FINED FOR PRANKS OF HALLOWEEN

Special to The Standard. Frederick, Nov. 2.—Two U. N. B. students were fined \$25 each in the police court on Saturday as a result of Halloween pranks. They were members of a party caught by the police in the act of painting signs and otherwise "decorating" property. Word has been received here that Major H. G. Deeds, who went overseas with 12th Battalion from here in 1914, is sailing for home on Monday.

Military Coup Against Austrian Government Has Been Frustrated

Vienna, Nov. 1.—(Associated Press).—A military coup against the government, which thus far has been frustrated, was exposed at a general meeting of the socialist party last night. Documents made public show that the attempt was set for nine o'clock in the evening of October 25, when organized companies and battalions of the reactionary elements were to seize the town hall, police headquarters, the armories and other strategic buildings and positions. The national guard was to be disbanded and likewise the workingmen's armed organizations. Pass-words were provided and orders were issued that weapons were not to be used unless necessary, and then without quarter. The details even provided for the number of machine guns and bombers and other dispositions.

RESTRAINING ORDER OF FEDERAL COURT WILL FAIL TO CHECK THE WALKOUT OF COAL MINERS

Miners, Deprived of Their Leaders, Prepared to Enter First Full Working Day in an Effort to Demonstrate Its Ability to Halt the Production of Soft Coal Throughout the Nation—Operators Have Made No Plans to Combat the Strike.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—Information obtained from the bituminous coal fields of the United States, in which more than 400,000 members of the United Mine Workers of America have been ordered out on strike, tonight indicated that there would be nothing which could check the momentum of the walkout despite the temporary restraining order which was issued Friday. Deprived of the directing hands of its leaders, as a result of the injunction, the membership of the union was prepared to enter the first full working day, since the strike order became effective, in an effort to demonstrate its ability to halt the production of soft coal throughout the nation.

SUSSEX HAS NEW POSTMASTER

Capt. Rev. W. F. Parker Appointed to the Office Made Vacant by the Death of John M. Kinnear.

Sussex, N. B., Nov. 2.—The position of Postmaster at Sussex, made vacant by the death of the late John M. Kinnear, has been filled by the appointment of Capt. (Rev.) W. F. Parker. Capt. Parker early in the war resigned his position as pastor of the United Baptist Church and joined the army as chaplain in the 64th Battalion, under command of Col. H. Montgomery Campbell. He was badly wounded when the military hospital at Boulogne, France, was bombed from Hun airplanes, and it was feared for a time that one of his legs would have to be amputated. Capt. Parker, after spending many months in hospitals in France and England, was invalided to Canada and has been undergoing treatment in Toronto.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF FIUME LAUDS THE WORK OF THEIR POET LIBERATOR

Fiango, Nov. 1.—(By The A. F.)—At the first meeting of the national council, recently elected, there were numerous speeches laudatory of D'Annunzio, who was designated "Liberator of our city," and of Italy's loyalty and firmness in demanding the satisfaction of Fiume. President Gronchi declared: "The pact of London has no value for us. The government must recognize our rights to determine our own affairs."

COMMONS WILL SANCTION R. R. PURCHASE BILL

The Bill Will Go to the Upper House Tuesday Where Bitter But Unsuccessful Opposition is Expected.

PROHIBITION BILL NOT OVER POPULAR

Quite Unpopular With Some of the Unionists and is Expected to Invite Hostility in Quebec Wing of Opposition.

MASKED MEN RAID POLICE BARRACKS NEAR DUBLIN

Raiders Kill Sentry, Carry Off Ammunition, Rifles and Revolvers.

WREATHS PLACED ON SOLDIERS' GRAVES IN FRANCE

Paris, Nov. 1.—Wreaths were placed on the graves of soldiers of the Allied and Associated countries by representatives of the government and of many patriotic associations today.

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